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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BANZER TO VICE-PRESIDENT (DESIGNATE) ROCKEFELLER

- 1. FOREIGN MINISTER GUZMAN IN FIRST PERSON NOTE RECEIVED TODAY SEPT 20 ASKED THAT WE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO VICE-PRESIDENT (DESIGNATE) ROCKEFELLER FROM PRESIDENT HUGO BANZER.
- 2. BEGIN TEXT UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION:

QUOTE DEAR MR. VICE PRESIDENT:

IN THE NAME OF THE BOLIVIAN PEOPLE, THAT OF MY GOVERNMENT AND MY OWN, I WISH TO TRANSMIT TO YOU THE CONTENTMENT WITH WHICH WE HAVE LEARNED THE NEWS OF YOUR APPOINTMENT AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

WE CONSIDER IT A HAPPY EVENT FOR BOLIVIA AND FOR THE OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES THAT A PERSON OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGED CAPABILITIES AND INTERNATIONAL PRESTIGE ASSUMES A POSITION OF HIGH RESPONSIBILITY IN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES. WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THE CERTAINTY THAT, FROM YOUR NEW POSITION, YOU WILL CONTINUE YOUR EFFORTS, AS YOU SO MANY TIMES HAVE DONE, TO BUILD A FRANK AND LOYAL POLICY OF COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS.

WE DO NOT FORGET THE FULL UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU HAVE ALWAYS DEMONSTRATED IN THE PAST, OF THE PARTICULAR PROBLEMS UNCLASSIFIED

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BOLIVIA FACES IN ITS EFFORTS TO OVERCOME UNDERDEVELOPMENT

AND IN TRYING TO ATTAIN A BETTER STATUS OF LIFE FOR ITS PEOPLE, WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE FULL ENJOYMENT OF THE MORAL AND MATERIAL GOODS TO WHICH IT (BOLIVIA) HAS A RIGHT AS A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF FREE NATIONS OF THE WORLD.

AT THE TIME OF SINCERELY CONGRATULATING YOU, I EXPRESS MR. VICE-PRESIDENT, MY BEST WISHES FOR THE SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE OF YOUR HIGH INVESTITURE.

SINCERELY YOURS, GENERAL HUGO BANZER SUAREZ UNQUOTE

3. ORIGINAL SPANISH TEXT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE ESTIMADO SENOR VICE-PRESIDENTE:

DESEO TRANSMITIRLE A NOMBRE DEL PUEBLO BOLIVIANO, DE MI GOBIERNO Y EL MIO PROPIO LA COMPLACENCIA CON QUE HEMOS RECIBIDO LA NOTICIA DE SU DESIGNACION COMO VICE-PRESIDENTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDO DE AMERICA.

CONSIDERAMOS UNA FELIZ CIRCUNSTANCIA PARA BOLIVIA Y LOS DEMAS PAISES LATINOAMERICANOS QUE UNA PERSONA DE SU RECONOCIDA CALIDAD Y PRESIGIO INTERNACIONAL ASUMA UN CARGO DE ALTA RESPONSILIDAD EN EL GOBIERNO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS. NOS ALIENTA LA CERTIDUMBRE DE QUE, DESDE SU NUEVA SITUACION, PROSEQUIRA USTED SUS ESFUERZOS COMO TANTAS VECES LO HA HECHO ANTES APRA CONTRIBUIR A LA REALIZACION DE UNA POLITICA DE FRANCA Y LEAL COOPERACION ENTRE NUESTROS DOS PAISES.

NO OLVIDAMOS LA AMPLIA COMPRESNION QUE UNTED SIEMPRE HA DEMONSTRADO EN EL PASADO POR LOS PROBLEMAS PRATICULARES QUE AFRONTA BOLIVIA EN SU ESFUERZO POR VENCER EL SUBDESARROLLO Y ALCANZAR UN MEJOR NIVEL DE VIDA PARA SU PUEBLO, QUE LE PERMITA EL DISFRUTE PLENO DE SUS BIENES MORALES Y MATERIALES A QUE TIENE DERECHO COMO INTEGRANTE DE LA FAMILIA DE NACIONES LIBRES DEL MUNDO.

A TIEMPO DE FELICITARLE MUY CORDIALMENTE, FORMULO EN ESTA OPORTUNIDAD, SENOR VICE-PRESIDENTE, MIS MEJORES DESEOS UNCLASSIFIED

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POR EL EXITOSO DESEMPENO DE SU ALTA INVESTIDURA. SINCERAMENTE SUYO, GENERAL HUGO BANZER SUAREZ UNQUOTE. STEDMAN

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